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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant, AD/CR

SUBJECT : Initial Community Reaction to the Revised Intelligence Subject Code

REFERENCE : Your request for brief statement of reactions for inclusion in CODIB Annual Report.

1. Since the Document Division has not received any reactions initiated by the several agencies to which the revised ISC was distributed, I contacted three departments on an informal basis to ascertain initial reactions to the revision.
2. I submit therefore in answer to reference (a) the following comments:
 - a. Navy: The ISC is under study by a committee to determine the adequacy of coverage and possible application. The ISC has not been widely distributed since there are no immediate plans to use it. (Mrs. Young)
 - b. Army: The Army, like the Navy, has not widely distributed the revised edition. To date there have been no adverse reactions. The ACSI Library plans to adopt the ISC and hopes to introduce it in a computer operation by September/October 1961. A committee from the Tech Services (chaired by Mr. Parmely Daniels) has studied the ISC and has no objection to its adoption; however that committee feels that the ISC is not sufficiently expanded for their individual uses and expansion will have to be accommodated either by addition of more digits (which is in agreement with original terms of reference of the ISC Working Group) or by the use of clear text (various types of equipment presently used would limit). Three commands, USAREUR, USARPAC and Heidelberg have copies of the revision. USARPAC is converting; to the others conversion is a problem. (Mr. Kullgren)
 - c. Air: AFCIN Minicard Operation recognizes some deficiencies in their own contribution to the ISC which they hope will be corrected through action by the CODIB Classification Committee. There have been no formal comments submitted by an Air component. The ISC has been widely distributed for the purpose of coding reading requirements. All offices now placing requirements for dissemination of reports via the Automatic Disseminator are engaged in this exercise. From it AFCIN 3D hopes to finalize all needs for expansion. Contact at AF stated that it is too early to get genuine reactions. AFCIN 3D plans to implement the ISC in its Minicard System late in 1960. (Mr. Stein)

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